Regulations, Rates and Charges applying to the provision of Access Services within a Local Access and Transport Area (LATA) or equivalent Market Area for connection to interstate communications facilities for customers within the operating territory of the

UTELCO, INC.

in the state of Wisconsin

as provided herein.

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**CONCURRING CARRIERS** 

NO CONCURRING CARRIERS

**CONNECTING CARRIERS** 

NO CONNECTING CARRIERS

**OTHER PARTICIPATING CARRIERS** 

NO OTHER PARTICIPATING CARRIERS

#### **EXPLANATION OF SYMBOLS**

- (C) To signify changed regulation
- (D) To signify discontinued rate or regulation
- (I) To signify increase
- (M) To signify matter relocated without change
- (N) To signify new rate or regulation
- (R) To signify reduction
- (S) To signify reissued matter
- (T) To signify a change in text but no change in rate or regulation
- (Z) To signify a correction

# **EXPLANATION OF ABBREVIATIONS**

ADA -Abbreviated Dialing Arrangement

AML -Actual Measured Loss

ANI -Automatic Number Identification

AP -Program Audio

AT&T -American Telephone and Telegraph Company

BHMC -Busy Hour Minutes of Capacity
CDP -Customer Designated Premises

CI -Changes Interface
CO -Central Office
Cont' d -Continued

CPE -Customer Provided Equipment

DA -Directory Assistance

dB -decibel

dBrnC -Decibel Reference Noise C-Message Weighting dBrnCO -Decibel Reference Noise C-Message Weighting O

dc -direct current

DDD -Direct Distance Dialing
EAS -Extended Area Service

# **EXPLANATION OF ABBREVIATIONS (Continued)**

EDD -Envelope Delay Distortion
EML -Expected Measured Loss

EPL -Echo Path Loss
ERL -Echo Return Loss

ESS -Electronic Switching System

ESSX -Electronic Switching System Exchange

f -frequency

F. C. C. -Federal Communications Commission

HC -High Capacity

Hz -Hertz

IC -Interstate Carrier
ICB -Individual Case Basis
ICL -Inserted Connection Loss

kbps -kilobits per second

kHz -kilohertz

LATA -Local Access and Transport Area

ma -Milliamperes

Mbps -Megabits per second

mcs -Microsecond MHz -Megahertz

MRC -Monthly recurring charge

MT -Metallic

MTS -Message Telecommunications Service(s)
MTSO -Mobile Telephone Switching Office

NPA -Numbering Plan Area NRC -Nonrecurring Charge

NXX -Three-digit Central Office Prefix

PBX -Private Branch Exchange PEC -Primary Exchange Carrier

PIC -Predesignated Interchange Carrier

POT -Point of Termination SAC -Service Access Code

SEC -Secondary Exchange Carrier

SRL -Signing Return Loss SWC -Serving Wire Center TG -Telegraph Codes

# **EXPLANATION OF ABBREVIATIONS** (Continued)

TPL -Transmission Level Point

TV -Television VG -Voice Grade

V & H -Vertical and Horizontal

WATS -Wide Area Telecommunications Service(s)

WSO -WATS Service Area

### REFERENCE TO OTHER TARIFFS

Whenever reference is made in this tariff to other tariffs of the Telephone Company, the reference is to the tariffs in force as of the effective date of this tariff, and to amendments thereto and successive issues thereof.

# 1. Application of Tariff

- 1.1 This tariff contains regulations, rates and charges applicable to the provision of Carrier Common Line, End User, Switched Access and Special Access Services and other miscellaneous services, hereinafter referred to collectively as service(s), provided by Utelco, hereinafter referred to as the Telephone Company, to customers.
- 1.2 The provision of such service by the Telephone Company as set forth in this tariff does not constitute a joint undertaking with the customer for the furnishings of any service.

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# 2. <u>General Regulations</u>

# 2.1 General

This section provides regulations applicable to this entire tariff.

# 2.2 Regulations, Rates and Charges

Regulations, Rates and Charges for the General Regulations are the same as those set forth in Section 2 of the National Exchange Carrier Association Tariff F.C.C. No. 5.

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### 3. Carrier Common Line Access Service

#### 3.1 General

Carrier Common Line Access Service provides for the use of telephone company common lines by customers for access to End Users to furnish Interstate Communications.

# 3.2 Regulations, Rates and Charges

Regulations, Rates and Charges for Carrier Common Line Access Service are the same as those set forth in Sections 3 and 17 of the National Exchange Carrier Association Tariff F. C. C. No. 5.

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### 4. End User Access Service

The Telephone Company will provide End User Access Service (End User Access) to End Users who obtain local exchange service from the Telephone Company under its general and/or local exchange tariffs, and end users which obtain Interstate and/or Intrastate WATS Service.

### 4.1 General Description

End User Access provides for the use of an End User Common Line (EUCL).

#### 4.2 Limitations

### (A) Exclusions

Neither a telephone number nor detail billing is provided with End User Access. Directory listings and intercept arrangements are not included with End User Access.

#### (B) Lifeline Assistance

Lifeline Assistance plans may reduce or eliminate End User Access Charges to certain qualifying end users. Jurisdictions where such locally approved assistance plans are in effect are set forth in Section 17 of the National Carrier Exchange Association Tariff F.C.C. No. 5.

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### 4. End User Access Service (Continued)

### 4.3 <u>Undertaking of the Telephone Company</u>

The Telephone Company will provide use of an End User Access at rates and charges as set forth in Section 4.7 following, as follows:

- (A) Use of EUCL by an End User in connection with Interstate Access Services provided under this tariff. Such use will be provided when the End User obtains local exchange service.
- (B) The Telephone Company will be responsible for contacts and arrangements with Customers for the billing of End User Access Charges.

# 4.4 Obligation of the Radio Common Carriers

When the end user is a Radio Common Carrier (RCC) or provider of paging service, such end users shall designate whether the local exchange service they are provided by the Telephone Company is used as an access line for RCC or paging services or used as an administrative line.

### 4.5 Payment Arrangements and Credit Allowances

#### 4.5.1 Minimum Period

The minimum period for which EUCL End User Access is provided to an End User and for which charges are applicable is the same as that in the general and/or local exchange tariffs for the associated local telephone exchange service.

# 4. <u>End User Access Service</u> (Continued)

# 4.5 Payment Arrangements and Credit Allowances (Continued)

# 4.5.2 <u>Cancellation</u> of Orders

End User Access is cancelled when the order for the associated local telephone exchange service is cancelled. No cancellation charges apply.

## 4.5.3 Changes to Orders

When changes are made to orders for the local exchange service associated with End User Access, any necessary changes will be made for End User Access. No charges will apply.

# 4.5.4 Allowance for Interruption

When there is an interruption to an EUCL, requested End User Access credit allowances for interruptions will be provided as set forth for credit allowance for interruptions in Section 2.4.4 of the NECA Access Service Tariff No. 5.

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# 4. <u>End User Access Service</u> (Continued)

### 4. 5 Payment Arrangements and Credit Allowances (Continued)

### 4.5.5 Temporary Suspension of Service

When an End User temporarily suspends its local exchange service which is associated with EUCL, one-half of the EUCL per month charge will be temporarily suspended for the time period the local exchange service is suspended.

### 4.6 Rate Regulations

### 4.6.1 Who is Billed

EUCL per month charges will be billed to the End User of the associated local exchange service.

# 4.6.2 Multiparty Service

The EUCL charge for each multiparty subscriber shall be assessed as if such subscriber had subscribed to single-party service.

#### 4.6.3 Semi-Public Service

For purposes of the EUCL charge, a semi-public service shall be deemed to be the same as a business line if the subscriber pays a rate that is not described as a residential rate in the local exchange tariff.

#### 4.6.4 Business Service

#### (A) Single Line Service

When an end user is provided a single local

# 4. <u>End User Access Service</u> (Continued)

# 4.6 Rate Regulations (Continued)

### 4.6.4 <u>Business Services</u> (Continued)

# (A) <u>Single Line Service</u> (Continued)

business exchange service in a state, semi-public service and multiparty service included, and when this local business exchange service is provided under the general and/or local exchange service tariffs, the EUCL Single Line Business - Individual line or trunk rate as set forth in 4.7(B) following, applies to each such business individual line or trunk. In the case of multiparty service each party is deemed to be a user of an EUCL.

#### (B) Multiline Service

When an end user is provided more than one local business exchange service in a state by the Telephone Company, semipublic service and multiparty service included, and when a local exchange service is provided under the general and/or local exchange service tariffs that is not covered by (C) following (Centrex), the EUCL - Multiline Business - Individual line or trunk rate as set forth in 4.7(D) following, applies to each such Multiline Business individual line or trunk. In the case of multiparty service each party is deemed to be a user of an EUCL.

- 4. <u>End User Access Service</u> (Continued)
  - 4.6 <u>Rate Regulations</u> (Continued)
    - 4.6.4 <u>Business Services</u> (Continued)
      - (C) Centrex CO and Centrex CO-like Services

For business Centrex CO and business Centrex CO-like service lines or trunks the End User Common Line (EUCL)-Centrex CO rate as set forth in 4.7(D) following applies to each business line or trunk.

Centrex CO is a service that (1) uses a portion of a Telephone Company switch located at the Telephone Company central office to meet the customer's internal needs and serves as the customer's interface with the local and interexchange networks and (2) links the customer's main stations to the Telephone Company switch with subscriber loops.

Centrex CO-like services are services (e.g., ESSX, Centron, Centraflex, Airport Service, Hotel-Motel Service) that operate in a manner that is the same as Centrex CO and (1) are provided using switches located at the Telephone Company central offices and (2) link customer main stations to the Telephone Company switch with subscriber loops.

Centrex CO or Centrex CO-like service provided to a college or university or school may serve both the university, college or school offices and the students or faculty dormitory (residential) quarters.

# 4. End User Access Service (Continued)

# 4.6 Rate Regulations (Continued)

### 4.6.4 <u>Business Services</u> (Continued)

# (C) <u>Centrex CO and Centrex CO-like Services</u> (Continued)

When provided to residential quarters, the residential portion of the service is commonly known as dormitory service. Residential charges will apply to lines to the student or faculty dormitory (residential) quarters as set forth in 4.7(C) following. Business charges for lines to the university, college or school offices will apply as set forth in section 4.7(D). Charges shall be based on the number of residence and business lines reported to the Telephone Company by the end user.

#### 4.6.5 Radio Common Carriers

For each local exchange service used only as a path for the transmission of Radio Common Carrier (RCC) traffic between the Telephone Company serving wire center and the RCC's radio equipment, End User Access charges do not apply. End User Access Charges will apply to the Radio Common Carrier's local exchange service used for administrative purposes. This shall also include those Radio Common Carriers providing maritime service under Part 81 of the FCC Rules and Regulations.

A Radio Common Carrier is described as a common carrier engaged in the provision of Public Mobile Service, as defined in Part 22 of the FCC Rules and Regulations which is not also in the business of providing landline local exchange telephone service.

### 4. End User Access Service (Continued)

### 4.6 Rate Regulations (Continued)

#### 4.6.6 Remote Call Forwarding

For each local exchange service provided as Remote Call Forwarding (RCF) residential or business service, under the general and/or local exchange service tariffs, End User Access charges do not apply.

## 4.6.7 Residence Services

# (A) Single Line and Multiline Service

When an end user is provided local residence exchange service(s) in a state, semi-public service and multiparty service included, and when the local residence exchange service is provided under the general and/or local exchange service tariffs, the EUCL Residence - Individual line or trunk rate as set forth in 4.7(A) following, applies to each such local residence exchange service. In the case of multiparty service, each party is deemed to be a user of an EUCL. These rates may be reduced as set forth in 4.6.8 following (Telephone Lifeline Assistance).

### (B) Centrex CO and CO-Like Dormitory Service

Regulations concerning the application of EUCL charges to student or faculty dormitory (residential) quarters served by Centrex CO or CO-like service are set forth in 4.6.4(C) preceding.

# 4. End User Service Access (Continued)

# 4.6 Rate Regulations (Continued)

#### 4.6.8 Telephone Lifeline Assistance

# (A) Without F.C.C. Certification

When an end user is provided a local residence exchange service and the residential local exchange rate for the end user is reduced for end users meeting a state established means test that is subject to verification, the applicable EUCL Residence - Individual line or trunk rate as set forth in 4.7(A) following, shall be reduced by 50 percent, if the local exchange rate reduction is an equivalent amount as provided for in Paragraph 69.104(j) of Part 69 of the F.C.C. Rules and Regulations.

#### (B) With F.C.C. Certification

When an end user is provided a local residence exchange service and the residential local exchange rate is reduced for end users eligible for a telephone lifeline assistance plan requiring verification and approval by the FCC as provided for in paragraph 69.104(k) of Part 69 of the FCC Rules and Regulations, the EUCL Residence - Individual line or trunk rate as set forth in 4.7(A) following shall be reduced. The End User Common Line charge shall be reduced for a single telephone line to the household's principal

- 4. <u>End User Access Service</u> (Continued)
  - 4.6 Rate Regulations (Continued)
    - 4.6.8 Telephone Lifeline Assistance (Continued)

residence to the extent of the state assistance, or waived in full if the state assistance equals or exceeds the residential End User Common Line Charge. Approved jurisdictions for lifeline assistance plans implemented as provided for in Paragraph 69.104(k) of Part 69 of the FCC Rules and Regulations are listed in Section 17.1.3 of the National Exchange Carrier Association F.C.C. No. 5.

# 4.7 Rates and Charges

Regulations concerning End User Access Service are set forth in 4.6 preceding.

A. End User Common Line (EUCL) Residence	Rate per Month
<ul> <li>Individual line or trunk, each</li> </ul>	\$ 3.50
B. End User Common Line (EUCL) Single Line Business	Rate per Month
<ul> <li>Individual line or trunk, each</li> </ul>	\$ 3.50

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- 4. <u>End User Access Service</u> (Continued)
  - 4.6 Rates and Charges (Continued)

• Individual line or trunk, each

C.	End User Common Line (EUCL) Centrex CO Dormitory Service	Rate per Month	
	Individual line or trunk, each	\$ 6.00	(I)
D.	End User Common Line (EUCL) Multiline Business including Centrex CO	Rate per Month	

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# 5. Access Ordering

### 5.1 General

This section sets forth the regulations and order-related charges for services set forth in other sections of this tariff. Order related charges are in addition to other applicable charges for the services provided.

# 5.2 Regulations, Rates and Charges

Regulations, Rates and Charges for Access Ordering are the same as those set forth in Sections 5 and 17 of the National Exchange Carrier Association Tariff F.C.C. No. 5.

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### 6. Switched Access Service

### 6.1 General

Switched Access Service, which is available to customers for their use in furnishing their services to End Users, provides a two-point electric communications path between a customer's premises and an End User's premises.

### 6.2 Regulations, Rates and Charges

Regulations, Rates and Charges for Switched Access Service are the same as those set forth in Sections 6 and 17 of the National Exchange Carrier Association Tariff F.C.C. No. 5.

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# 7. <u>Special Access Service</u>

#### 7.1 General

Special Access Service provides a transmission path to connect customerdesigned premises either directly or through a telephone company hub where bridging or multiplexing functions are performed.

# 7.2 Regulations, Rates and Charges

Regulations, Rates and Charges for Special Access Service are the same as those set forth in Sections 7 and 17 of the National Exchange Carrier Association Tariff F.C.C. No. 5.

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### 8. Lifeline Assistance and Universal Service Fund Charges

### 8.1 General

This section sets forth the regulations for administration and billing of Lifeline Assistance and Universal Service Fund rates and charges.

### 8.2 Regulations, Rates and Charges

Regulations, Rates and Charges for Lifeline Assistance and Universal Service Fund Charges are the same as those set forth in Sections 8 and 17 of the National Exchange Carrier Association Tariff F.C.C. No. 5.

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### 9. Directory Assistance Service

### 9.1 General

Directory Assistance (DA) Service provides Directory Access Service to DA locations, use of DA access equipment, and use of DA operators to provide telephone numbers.

# 9.2 Regulations, Rates and Charges

Regulations, Rates and Charges for Directory Assistance Service are the same as those set forth in Sections 9 and 17 of the National Exchange Carrier Association Tariff F.C.C. No. 5.

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### 10. Special Federal Government Access Services

#### 10.1 General

This section covers Special Access Services that are provided to a customer for use only by agencies or branches of the Federal Government and other users authorized by the Federal Government.

# 10.2 Regulations, Rates and Charges

Regulations, Rates and Charges for Special Federal Government Access Services are the same as those set forth in Sections 10 and 17 of the National Exchange Carrier Association Tariff F.C.C. No. 5.

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# 11. Special Facilities Routing Access Services

### 11.1 General

The services provided under this tariff are provided over such routes and facilities as the Telephone Company may elect. Special Facilities Routing is involved when, in order to comply with requirements specified by the customer, the Telephone Company provides Switched Access Service in a manner which includes one or more of the following conditions: diversity, avoidance, cable-only facilities.

## 11.2 Regulations, Rates and Charges

Regulations, Rates and Charges for Special Facilities Routing of Access Services are the same as those set forth in Sections 11 and 17 of the National Exchange Carrier Association F.C.C. Tariff No. 5.

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# 12. Specialized Service or Arrangements

### 12.1 General

Specialized Service or Arrangements may be provided by the Telephone Company, at the request of a customer, on an individual case basis if such service or arrangements meet certain criteria which are the same as those set forth in Section 12.1 of the National Exchange Carrier Association Tariff F.C.C. No. 5.

# 12.2 Rates and Charges

Rates and Charges and additional Regulations, if applicable, for Specialized Service or Arrangements provided on an individual case basis are the same as those set forth in Sections 12 and 17 of the National Exchange Carrier Association Tariff F.C.C. No. 5.

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# 13.1 Additional Engineering, Additional Labor and Miscellaneous Services

#### 13.1 General

This section covers the charges for Additional Engineering and/or Additional Labor which may be requested by a customer. Miscellaneous Services cover items such as: Maintenance of Service, Restoration Priority, Presubscription Standard Jacks, Testing Services, and Provision of Access Service Billing Information.

# 13.2 Regulations, Rates and Charges

Regulations, Rates and Charges for Additional Engineering, Additional Labor and Miscellaneous Services are the same as those set forth in Sections 13 and 17 of the National Exchange Carrier Association Tariff F.C.C. No. 5.

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<ol><li>14. Exception</li></ol>	is to Acces	ss Service	Offerings
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Regulations, Rates and Charges for Exceptions to Special Access Service Offerings are the same as those set forth in Section 14 of the National Exchange Carrier Association Tariff F.C.C. No. 5.

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### 15. Access Service Interfaces and Transmission Specifications

#### 15.1 General

Regulations for Access Service and Transmission Specifications contain Switched Access Service options (which are comprised of Interface Groups, Supervisory Signaling, Entry Switch Receive Level and Local Transport Termination), Transmission Specifications, Special Access Service Network Channel (NC) codes and Network Channel Interface (NCI) codes; and, Interface Group, Premises Interface Code and Standard Transmission Specifications applicable to Directory Assistance.

### 15.2 Regulations, Rates and Charges

Regulations, Rates and Charges for Access Service and Transmission Specifications are the same as those set forth in Sections 15 and 17 of the National Exchange Carrier Association Tariff F.C.C. No. 5.

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# 16. Primary Exchange Carrier and Secondary Exchange Carrier Billing Arrangements

#### 16.1 General

This section sets forth information concerning the provision of Access Service by more than one exchange telephone company when providing Feature Group A in an Extended Area Service environment, and the Primary Exchange Carriers do not provide service under this access service tariff. It is an adjunct to other sections of this tariff such as Ordering (Section 5) and Switched Access Service (Section 6). Regulations, terms and conditions applicable to this section are the same as those set forth in Section 16 of the National Exchange Carrier Association Tariff F.C.C. No. 5.

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